

2020 Maryland Nursing Home Family Experience of Care Survey

Statewide Results



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A. Background

The Maryland Health Care Commission (MHCC) family experience of care initiative began in 2005 with a pilot survey intended to guide the start of an annual process. The purpose of the initiative is to measure the experience and satisfaction of family members and other designated responsible parties of residents in Maryland's nursing homes. The project's specific objectives are to provide: 1) measures of responsible party experience and satisfaction; 2) comparisons on experience and satisfaction measures between nursing homes in Maryland; and 3) comparisons between nursing home peer groups, including geographical region, facility size, and ownership type.

The results of the survey will be accessible to the public via the MHCC's Maryland Quality Reporting website - an interactive web tool containing information about an array of long-term care services including nursing homes and community support services such as senior centers, transportation, and technology assistance. The site will be accessible to the public in April 2021. Facility-specific results and this statewide report will be posted on the site to assist consumers in making informed decisions when selecting a nursing home for themselves, a family member, or a friend.

B. Summary Results – Statewide Results

Table 1. Summary of Domain Scores – 2020 Statewide Results¹

	Statewide
Staff and Administration of the Nursing Home	3.4
Care Provided to Residents	3.3
Food and Meals	3.1
Autonomy and Resident Rights	3.1
Physical Aspects of the Nursing Home	3.2
Activities	2.7
Security and Resident's Personal Rights	3.3
Overall rating of care received at the nursing home*	7.8
Percentage that said "Definitely Yes" or "Probably Yes" to "Would you recommend the nursing home?"	80%

^{*}Unlike the other domains which are calculated on a score from one to four, the overall rating of care received at the nursing home is calculated on a scale from one to ten.

¹ Scores are calculated based on the questions in each item. Questions are scored by assigning the most positive possible answer category a score of 4, and the least positive possible answer a score of 1. See Section F for more detail. The only exception to this is scores based on individual questions.

C. Description of Sample

All nursing facilities in Maryland with one or more residents that had a 100 day stay or longer as of October 2, 2020 were included in the sample. All nursing homes were asked to provide a list of the designated family members of each of their current residents. If no family member was listed as overseeing the resident's care, another responsible party was selected to contact.

It is important to note that family members of residents with a stay of less than 100 days did not participate in this survey, so the experience and satisfaction of the family members of nursing facility residents with short-term skilled nursing care or rehabilitation needs are not captured by the results of this survey.

D. Summary of Survey Methods

All eligible (223) nursing facilities throughout the State of Maryland submitted a family member list in 2020. Using the exclusion criteria below, programs were developed to identify which responsible parties and residents met the requirement for inclusion in the survey.

Exclusion criteria:

- Date of admission is after June 24, 2020
- Resident and family member are the same individual
- No family member is listed
- Address for family member is incomplete or insufficient for mailing
- The contact address for the family member is a nursing home. In cases where the family member resides in an independent living facility associated with a nursing home, they were not excluded.
- The family member's address is outside the United States

The list obtained after exclusions became the mailing list used to contact potential respondents. In all, 14,926 family members were eligible to participate, including 583 that did not have a valid mailing address but had a telephone number. An initial invitation letter containing a link to the online survey and a unique respondent passcode was mailed to 14,343 family members with valid mailing addresses on October 2, 2020. The online survey module is a new survey mode in 2020 intended to improve response rates and provide respondents with more options to complete the survey. Beginning October 7, 2020, telephone prompt calls were made to respondents from nursing homes with historically low response rates and those who did not receive a letter but had a telephone number. Respondents were prompted to visit and complete the survey and were offered an email invitation if they provided an email address to the interviewer.

The first survey packet was mailed on November 9, 2020 to those who did not respond to the initial online or telephone survey. The survey packet included instructions on how to complete the survey online if they preferred. A second survey packet was sent on December 8, 2020. Follow-up telephone calls were made to responsible parties from specific facilities with a response rate of 50% or less to maximize the response rates and obtain completed surveys. Follow-up calls began on November 19, 2020 and ended on February 20, 2021. Calls were conducted from 9 AM to 9 PM on weekdays and 10 AM to 6 PM on Saturdays.

A total of 5,455 eligible surveys were completed through March 1, 2021 out of 14,926 eligible family members, resulting in a final response rate of 40% for all facilities. Table 2 summarizes the final 2020 Maryland Nursing Home Family Experience of Care Survey sample.

Table 2: 2020 Maryland Nursing Facility Family Survey Sample Summary

2020 Nursing Facility Family Survey	Total Participating Facilities	Total Eligible Family Members	Total Surveys Completed	Response Rate*	Undeliverable
Overall	223	14,926	5,455	40%	1,294

^{*}The response rate is calculated by dividing the total number of surveys *completed* by the total number of eligible family members minus the number of undeliverable surveys

E. Description of Survey Instrument

The designated family members were asked to complete a survey about their experience and satisfaction with the facility and care provided to residents. The 2020 survey contained two overall measures of satisfaction and 31 items which assessed seven domains or aspects of residents' life and care:

- 1. Staff and Administration of the Nursing Home
- 2. Care Provided to Residents
- 3. Food and Meals Introduced in 2018
- 4. Autonomy and Residents' Rights
- 5. Physical Aspects of the Nursing Home
- 6. Activities Introduced in 2018
- 7. Security and Resident's Personal Rights Introduced in 2018

Within each domain, respondents rated different aspects of the resident's life and care.

A new section addressing facility response to COVID-19 was added to the 2020 survey instrument. The section consists of 3 questions, including a rating of how the respondent would rate the nursing home's response to the outbreak overall on a scale of 1 to 10.

An open-ended question was added to the end of the survey asking respondents if there was anything else they would like to share.

For more detail on the methods and survey instrument changes, please request the complete technical documentation for this research by contacting Stacy Howes at stacy.howes@maryland.gov or 410-764-3575.

F. How to Read and Interpret the Results

This report contains tables and charts that display the average statewide ratings and ratings for peer groups defined by region of the state, facility size, ownership type, and payment source for each of the seven domains and the two overall satisfaction measures. For each domain, a trending line chart displays ratings over time and a bar chart displays ratings by peer group. The ratings were calculated by adding the rating given by each individual who responded to the question divided by the total number of responses.

Domain level ratings in the report are presented as averages on a scale of 1 to 4. The domain ratings are calculated by averaging the ratings on the 4-point scale, where 1 represents the most negative possible response and 4 represents the most positive possible response. The exact definition of responses is contextual, based on the phrasing of the question, however, the most positive response is generally 'Yes' or 'Always'. For negatively worded questions, where "Never" was the positive answer, for the purposes of reporting results, the responses were recorded so that 4=Never, 3=Sometimes, 2=Usually, and 1=Always so the higher number represents greater satisfaction. An example of such a question is Question 18: "In the past 6 months, how often, if at all, did you help with toileting because the nurses or nursing assistants either were not available or made him or her wait too long?"

These scores are averaged across all the valid questions within that domain. The overall experience rating is presented as an average on a 1 to 10 scale. The overall recommendation rating is presented by percentage of respondents recommending the nursing home.

The survey item ratings are the average of a sample of respondents (that is, not the entire population of respondents) and, as in any survey, there is a margin of error associated with the estimates.

To assist in better understanding results, this report also includes tests of statistically significant differences. These tests are designed to help determine: 1) whether a peer group's score is higher or lower than statewide scores and 2) if there has been an increase or decrease in statewide scores over time. You can see this statistic under the table "Significant Difference" in each domain score. Areas where the state score is significantly higher than the peer group or a prior year's score contain an up arrow (\uparrow). Areas where the state score is significantly lower than the peer group or a prior year's score contain a down arrow (\downarrow). Areas which have no significant difference are marked with a dash (-). These comparisons are made using 95% confidence intervals.

A low domain score indicates a low level of experience or satisfaction within a particular aspect of care and life, such as physical aspects of the nursing home, while a high score indicates a high level of experience or satisfaction. For example, a domain with a low score relative to a peer group or other domains may identify a high priority improvement opportunity. Domains with high scores identify areas where the facility exhibits a high level of performance. Comparing your facility's scores to peer groups can help your facility to identify opportunities for incremental improvements.

The majority of scores presented in this report are on the high end of the rating scale (above a 3). The obvious question is, "is a score good or bad?" It is not unusual for scores to be skewed to the positive because consumers are generally satisfied with the personal care their relatives receive. However, there is always room for improvement, especially when comparing scores in relation to one another. To identify meaningful differences, we suggest that readers look at top rated items and domains and compare them to lower rated items. Please note, the survey was not conducted in 2017, and trending scores for that year are not presented in the results.

Family member feedback about the home was reviewed for context and has been coded into themes. The results are presented in a table with the labels indicating the theme and the percentage indicating the proportion of those whose feedback fit that theme. Feedback from one person may be coded into as many as three different themes.

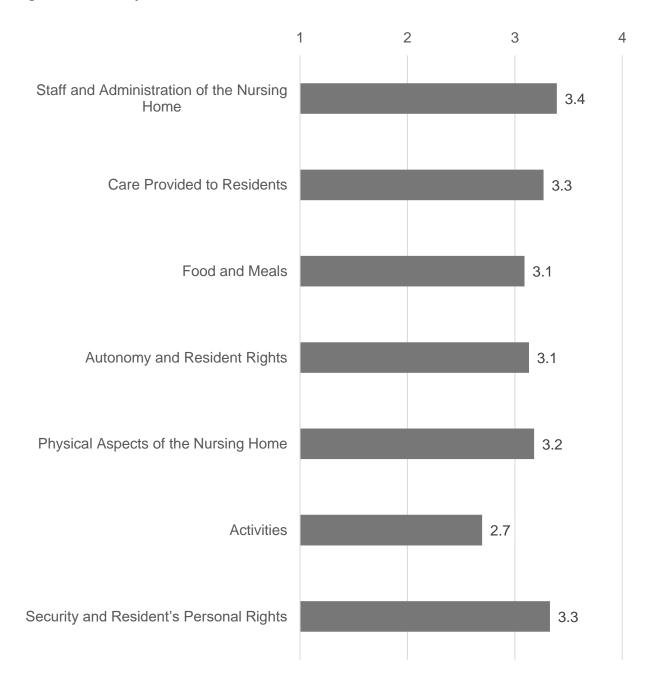
For reference, the peer groups used in this report are:

Region of the State	Licensed Bed Size Counts	Ownership Type	Payment Source
Western Maryland	80 or fewer beds	Non-Profit	Medicaid
Montgomery County	81 – 120 beds	For Profit	Other
Southern Maryland	121 – 160 beds		
Central Maryland	161+ beds		
Eastern Shore		_	

G. Domain Ratings

Summary of Domain Ratings

Figure 1. Summary of Domain Scores – 2020 Statewide Results



Staff and Administration of the Nursing Home

Figure 2. 2014-2020 Domain Scores for Staff and Administration of the Nursing Home

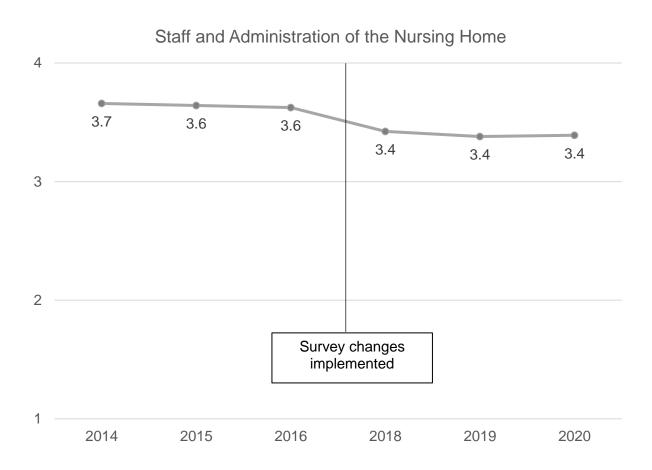


Table 3. 2014-2020 Significant Differences for Staff and Administration of the Nursing Home Trending

2020 Statewide Score Measured Against			
Score 2020 Difference			
2020	3.4		
2019	3.4	-	
2018	3.4	\	
2016	3.6	\	
2015	3.6	\	
2014	3.7	\	

Figure 3. 2020 Peer Group Scores for Staff and Administration of the Nursing Home

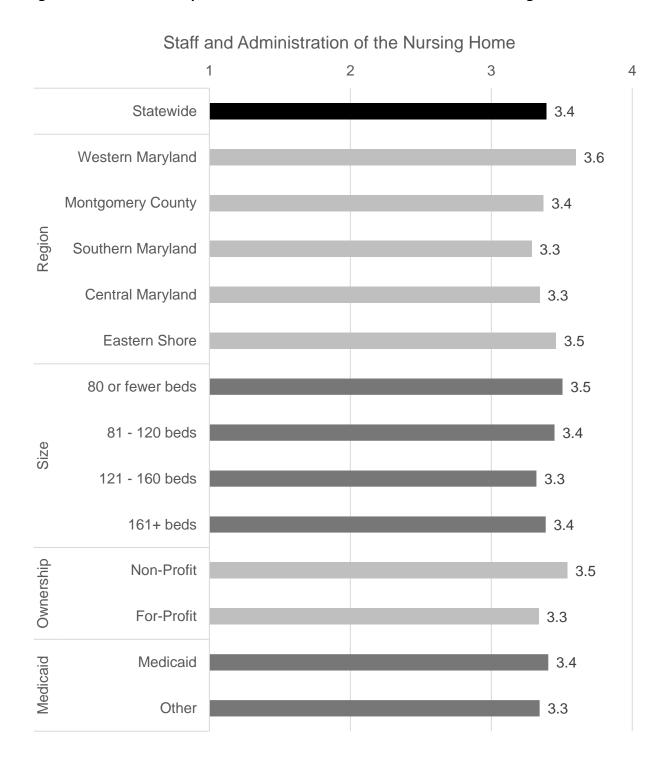


Table 4. 2020 Significant Differences for Staff and Administration of the Nursing Home vs Peers

2020 Statewide Score Measured Against Peer Group			
	Score	2020 Difference	
2020 Statewide	3.4		
Region			
Western Maryland	3.6	↓	
Montgomery County	3.4	-	
Southern Maryland	3.3	↑	
Central Maryland	3.3	↑	
Eastern Shore	3.5	↓	
Size			
80 or fewer beds	3.5	\	
81 – 120 beds	3.4	↓	
121 – 160 beds	3.3	↑	
161+ beds	3.4	-	
Ownership			
Non-Profit	3.5	↓	
For-Profit	3.3	↑	
Payment Source			
Medicaid	3.4	-	
Other	3.3	↑	

Care Provided to Residents

Figure 4. 2014-2020 Domain Scores for Care Provided to Residents

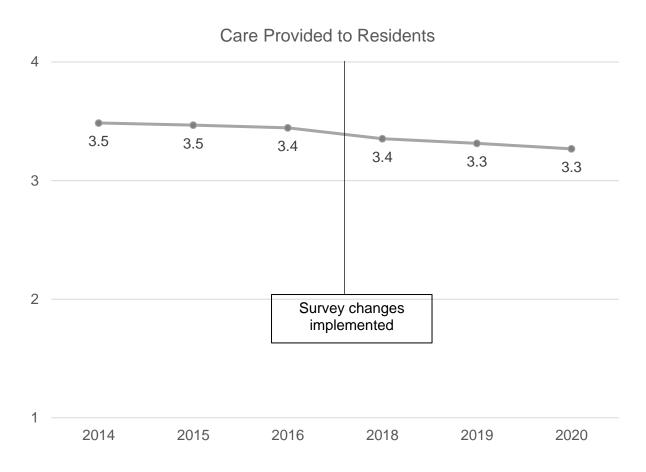


Table 5. 2014-2020 Significant Differences for Care Provided to Residents Trending

2020 Statewide Score Measured Against		
Score 2020 Difference		
2020	3.4	
2019	3.4	\
2018	3.4	\
2016	3.6	\
2015	3.6	\
2014	3.7	\

Figure 5. 2020 Peer Group Scores for Care Provided to Residents

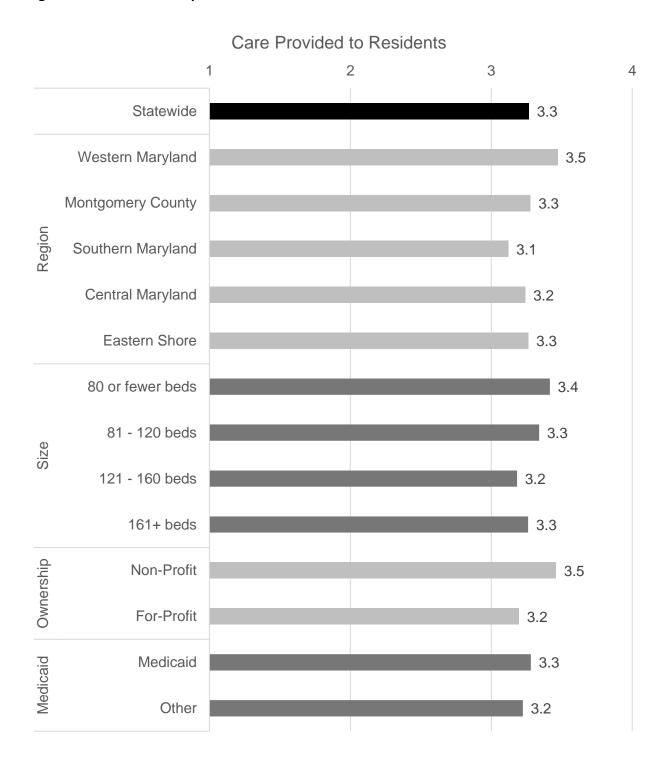


Table 6. 2020 Significant Differences for Care Provided to Residents vs Peers

2020 Statewide Score Measured Against Peer Group			
	Score	2020 Difference	
2020 Statewide	3.3		
Region			
Western Maryland	3.5	\	
Montgomery County	3.3	-	
Southern Maryland	3.1	↑	
Central Maryland	3.2	-	
Eastern Shore	3.3	-	
Size			
80 or fewer beds	3.4	↓	
81 – 120 beds	3.3	↓	
121 – 160 beds	3.2	↑	
161+ beds	3.3	-	
Ownership			
Non-Profit	3.5	↓	
For-Profit	3.2	^	
Payment Source			
Medicaid	3.3	-	
Other	3.2	-	

Food and Meals*

Figure 6. 2018-2020 Domain Scores for Food and Meals

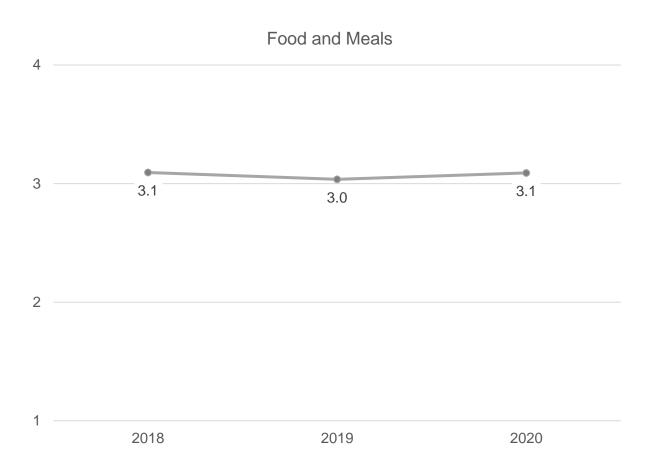


Table 7. 2018-2020 Significant Differences for Food and Meals Trending

2020 Statewide Score Measured Against			
Score 2020 Difference			
2020	3.1		
2019	3.0	↑	
2018	3.1	-	

^{*}Food and Meals Domain was redefined in the 2018 survey administration

Figure 7. 2020 Peer Group Domain Scores for Food and Meals

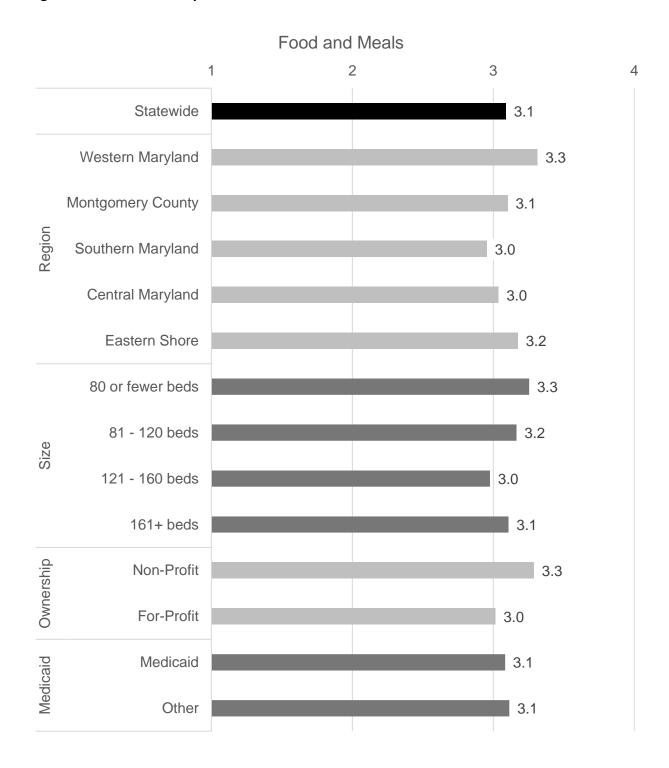


Table 8. 2020 Significant Differences for Food and Meals vs Peers

2020 Statewide Score Measured Against Peer Group			
	Score	2020 Difference	
2020 Statewide	3.1		
Region			
Western Maryland	3.3	↓	
Montgomery County	3.1	-	
Southern Maryland	3.0	↑	
Central Maryland	3.0	↑	
Eastern Shore	3.2	↓	
Size			
80 or fewer beds	3.3	↓	
81 – 120 beds	3.2	↓	
121 – 160 beds	3.0	↑	
161+ beds	3.1	-	
Ownership			
Non-Profit	3.3	↓	
For-Profit	3.0	↑	
Payment Source			
Medicaid	3.1	-	
Other	3.1	-	

Autonomy and Resident Rights

Figure 8. 2014-2020 Domain Scores for Autonomy and Resident Rights

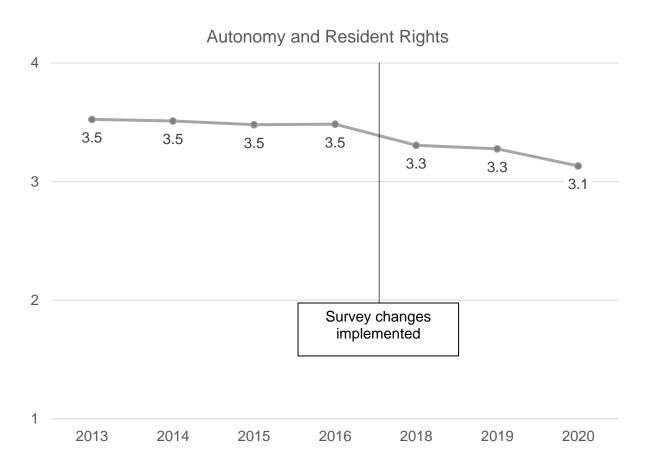


Table 9. 2014-2020 Significant Differences for Autonomy and Resident Rights Trending

2020 Statewide Score Measured Against		
	Score	2020 Difference
2020	3.1	
2019	3.3	\
2018	3.3	\
2016	3.5	\
2015	3.5	\
2014	3.5	\

Figure 9. 2020 Peer Group Domain Scores for Autonomy and Resident Rights

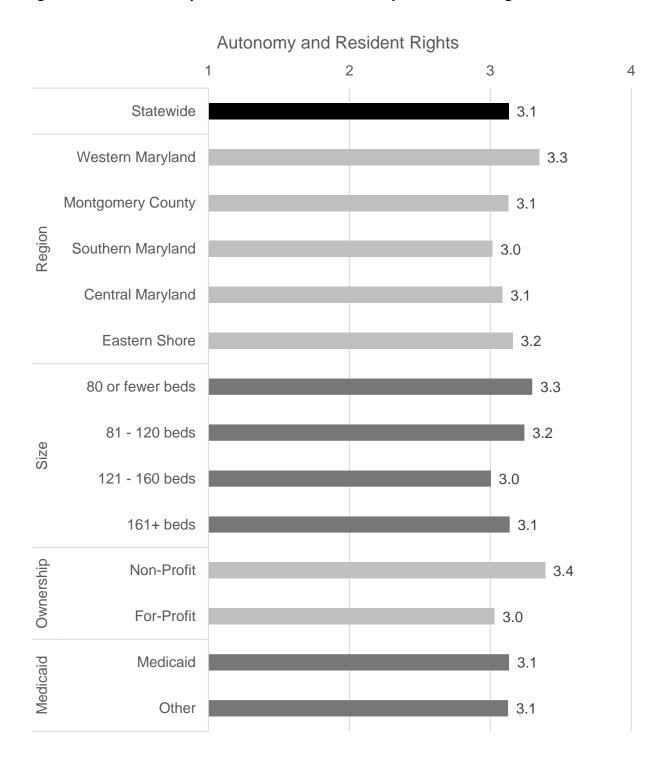


Table 10. 2020 Significant Differences for Autonomy and Resident Rights vs Peers

2020 Statewide Score Measured Against Peer Group			
	Score	2020 Difference	
2020 Statewide	3.1		
Region			
Western Maryland	3.3	↓	
Montgomery County	3.1	-	
Southern Maryland	3.0	↑	
Central Maryland	3.1	-	
Eastern Shore	3.2	-	
Size			
80 or fewer beds	3.3	V	
81 – 120 beds	3.2	↓	
121 – 160 beds	3.0	↑	
161+ beds	3.1	-	
Ownership			
Non-Profit	3.4	↓	
For-Profit	3.0	↑	
Payment Source			
Medicaid	3.1	-	
Other	3.1	-	

Physical Aspects of the Nursing Home

Figure 10. 2014-2020 Domain Scores for Physical Aspects of the Nursing Home

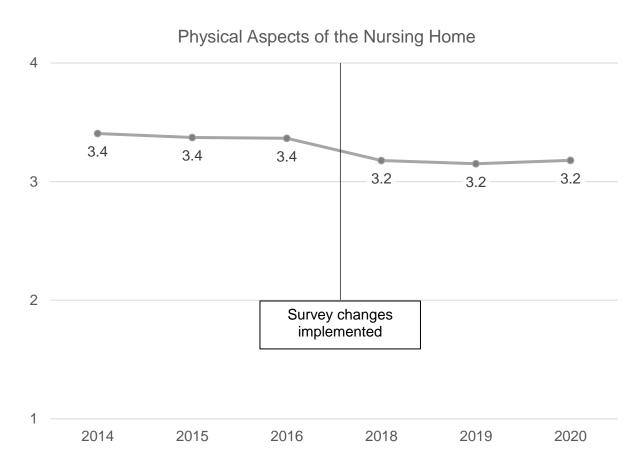


Table 11. 2014-2020 Significant Differences for Physical Aspects of the Nursing Home Trending

2020 Statewide Score Measured Against		
	Score	2020 Difference
2020	3.2	
2019	3.2	↑
2018	3.2	-
2016	3.4	\
2015	3.4	\
2014	3.4	\

Figure 11. 2020 Peer Group Domain Scores for Physical Aspects of the Nursing Home

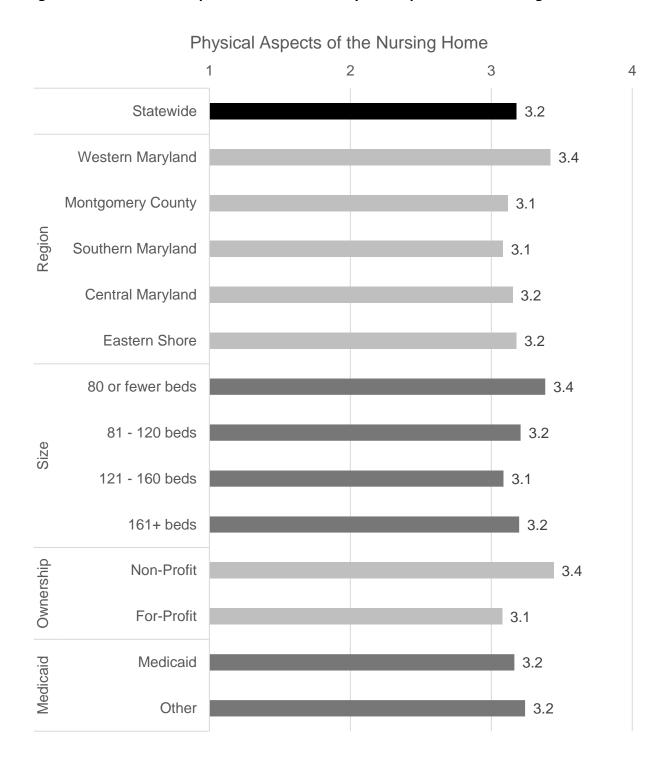


Table 12. 2020 Significant Differences for Physical Aspects of the Nursing Home vs Peers

2020 Statewide Score Measured Against Peer Group		
	Score	2020 Difference
2020 Statewide	3.2	
Region		
Western Maryland	3.4	↓
Montgomery County	3.1	↑
Southern Maryland	3.1	↑
Central Maryland	3.2	-
Eastern Shore	3.2	-
Size		
80 or fewer beds	3.4	V
81 – 120 beds	3.2	-
121 – 160 beds	3.1	↑
161+ beds	3.2	-
Ownership		
Non-Profit	3.4	+
For-Profit	3.1	↑
Payment Source		
Medicaid	3.2	-
Other	3.2	\

Figure 12. 2018-2020 Domain Scores for Activities

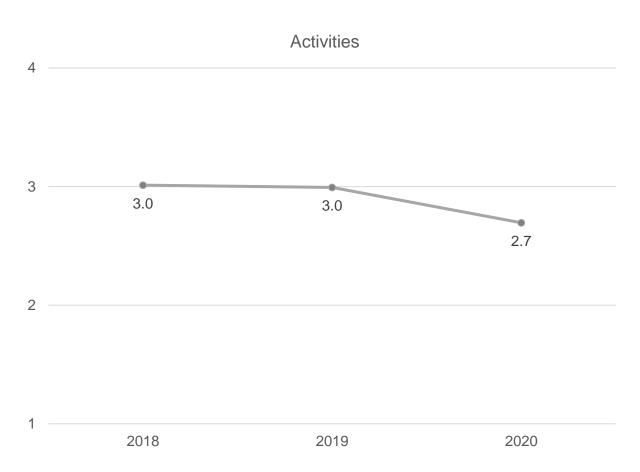


Table 13. 2018-2020 Significant Differences for Activities Trending

2020 Statewide Score Measured Against		
Score 2020 Difference		
2020	2.7	
2019	3.0	→
2018	3.0	\

*Activities Domain was added in the 2018 survey administration

Figure 13. 2020 Peer Group Domain Scores for Activities

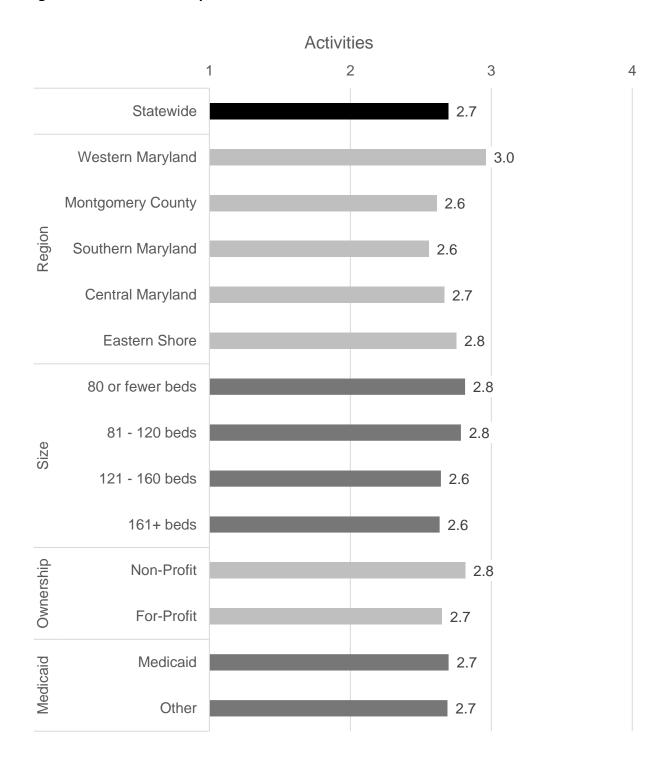


Table 14. 2020 Significant Differences for Activities vs Peers

	Score	2020 Difference
2020 Statewide	2.7	2020 Difference
	2.7	
Region		
Western Maryland	3.0	↓
Montgomery County	2.6	↑
Southern Maryland	2.6	↑
Central Maryland	2.7	-
Eastern Shore	2.8	-
Size		
80 or fewer beds	2.8	\
81 – 120 beds	2.8	\
121 – 160 beds	2.6	↑
161+ beds	2.6	↑
Ownership		
Non-Profit	2.8	↓
For-Profit	2.7	<u> </u>
Payment Source		
Medicaid	2.7	-
Other	2.7	-

Security and Resident's Personal Rights*

Figure 14. 2018-2020 Domain Scores for Security and Resident's Personal Rights

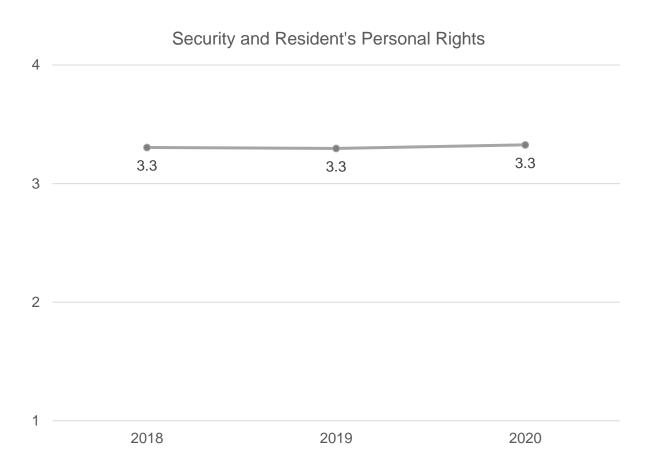


Table 15. 2018-2020 Significant Differences for Security and Resident's Personal Rights Trending

2020 Statewide Score Measured Against		
Score 2020 Difference		
2020	3.3	
2019	3.3	↑
2018	3.3	-

^{*}Security and Resident's Personal Rights Domain was added in the 2018 survey administration

Figure 15. 2020 Peer Group Domain Scores for Security and Resident's Personal Rights

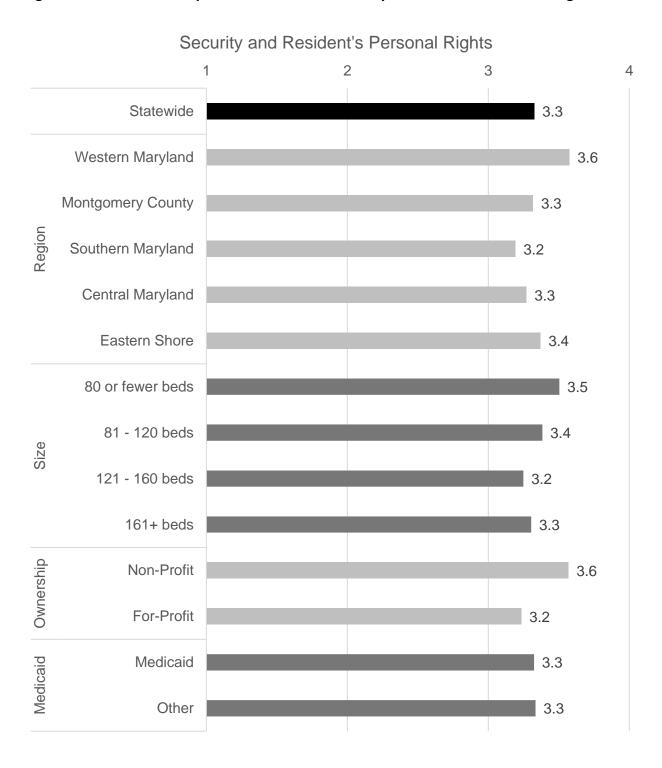


Table 16. 2020 Significant Differences for Security and Resident's Personal Rights vs Peers

2020 Statewide Score Measured Against Peer Group		
	Score	2020 Difference
2020 Statewide	3.3	
Region		
Western Maryland	3.6	↓
Montgomery County	3.3	-
Southern Maryland	3.2	↑
Central Maryland	3.3	↑
Eastern Shore	3.4	-
Size		
80 or fewer beds	3.5	↓
81 – 120 beds	3.4	↓
121 – 160 beds	3.2	↑
161+ beds	3.3	-
Ownership		
Non-Profit	3.6	↓
For-Profit	3.2	↑
Payment Source		
Medicaid	3.3	-
Other	3.3	-

H. Overall Experience Ratings

Overall Rating of Care Received at the Nursing Home

Note: Unlike the other domains, which are calculated on a score from one to four, the overall rating of care received at the nursing home is calculated on a scale from one to ten.

Figure 16. 2014-2020 Scores for Overall Rating of Care Received at the Nursing Home

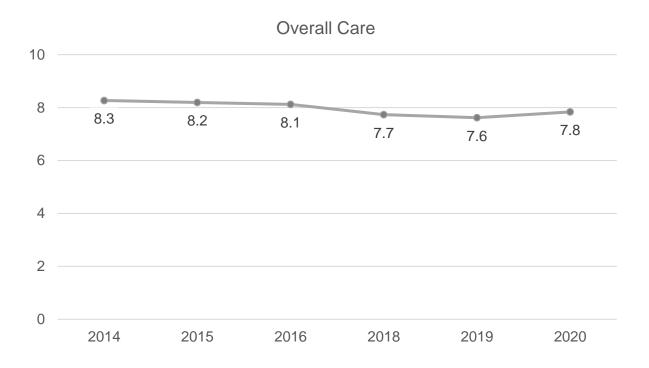


Table 17. 2014-2020 Significant Differences for Overall rating of care received at the nursing home Trending

2020 Statewide Score Measured Against		
	Score	2020 Difference
2020	7.8	
2019	7.6	↑
2018	7.7	↑
2016	8.1	↓
2015	8.2	+
2014	8.3	↓

Figure 17. 2020 Peer Group Scores for Overall Rating of Care Received at the Nursing Home

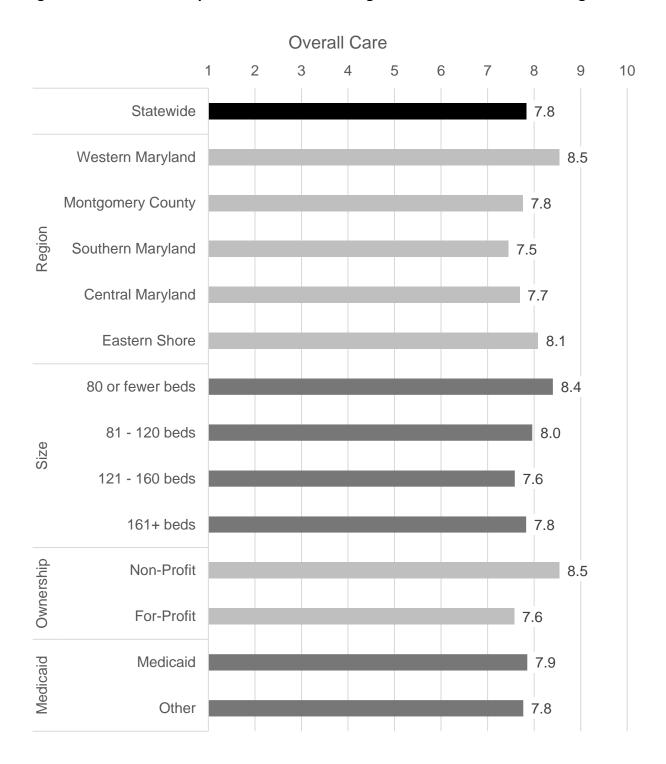


Table 18. 2020 Significant Differences for Overall Rating of Care Received at the Nursing Home vs Peers

2020 Statewide Score Measured Against Peer Group		
	Score	2020 Difference
2020 Statewide	7.8	
Region		
Western Maryland	8.5	\
Montgomery County	7.8	-
Southern Maryland	7.5	↑
Central Maryland	7.7	↑
Eastern Shore	8.1	\
Size		
80 or fewer beds	8.4	↓
81 – 120 beds	8.0	\
121 – 160 beds	7.6	↑
161+ beds	7.8	-
Ownership		
Non-Profit	8.5	↓
For-Profit	7.6	↑
Payment Source		
Medicaid	7.9	-
Other	7.8	-

Nursing Home Recommendation

Note: For this measure, the charts and tables summarize the percentage of respondents indicating that they would "definitely" or "probably" recommend the nursing home.

Figure 18. 2014-2020 Scores for Nursing Home Recommendation

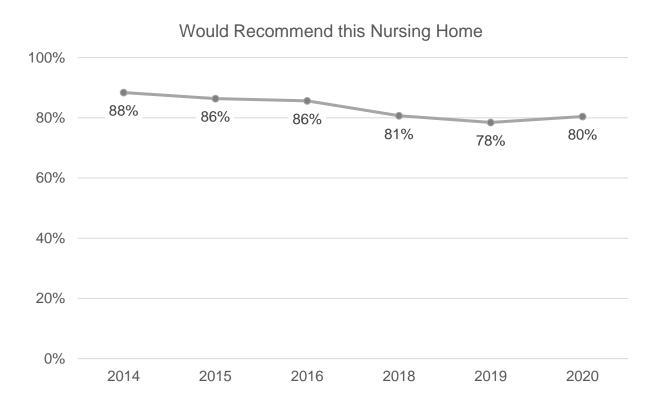


Table 19. 2014-2020 Significant Differences for Nursing Home Recommendation Trending

2020 Statewide Score Measured Against		
	Score	2020 Difference
2020	80%	
2019	78%	↑
2018	81%	-
2016	86%	↓
2015	86%	\
2014	88%	\

Figure 19. 2020 Peer Group Domain Scores for Nursing Home Recommendation

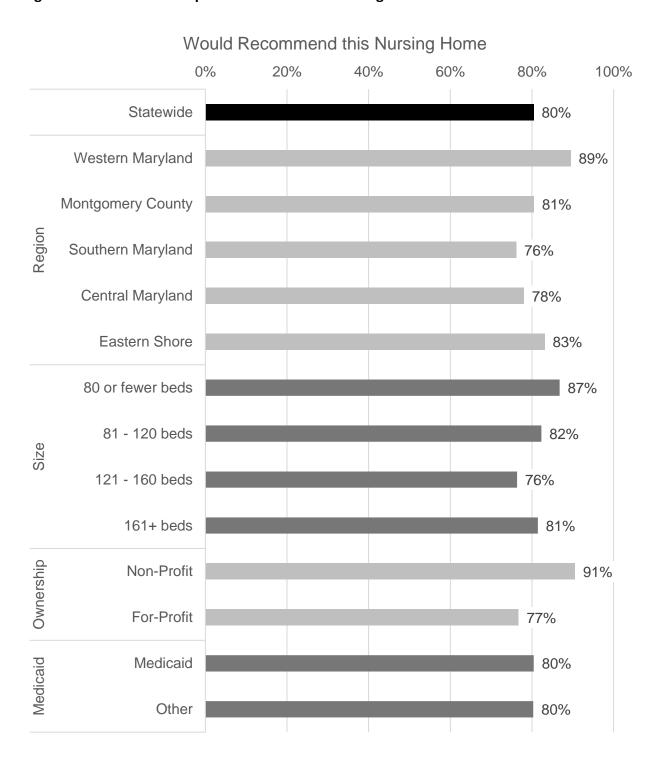


Table 20. 2020 Significant Differences for Nursing Home Recommendation vs Peers

2020 Statewide S	core Measured Against Pee	r Group
	Score	2020 Difference
2020 Statewide	80%	
Region		
Western Maryland	89%	\
Montgomery County	81%	-
Southern Maryland	76%	↑
Central Maryland	78%	↑
Eastern Shore	83%	+
Size		
80 or fewer beds	87%	\
81 – 120 beds	82%	-
121 – 160 beds	76%	↑
161+ beds	81%	-
Ownership		
Non-Profit	91%	↓
For-Profit	77%	↑
Payment Source		
Medicaid	80%	-
Other	80%	-

A difference marked \uparrow indicates the 2020 Statewide score was statistically significantly higher than the comparison peer group. A difference marked \downarrow indicates the 2020 Statewide score was statistically significantly lower than the comparison peer group. Areas which have no statistically significant difference are marked with a dash (-).

I. COVID-19

Ratings of Nursing Home Response to COVID-19

Figure 20. 2020 Rating for Offering Timely Information to Loved Ones about How the Resident was Affected by the COVID-19 Outbreak

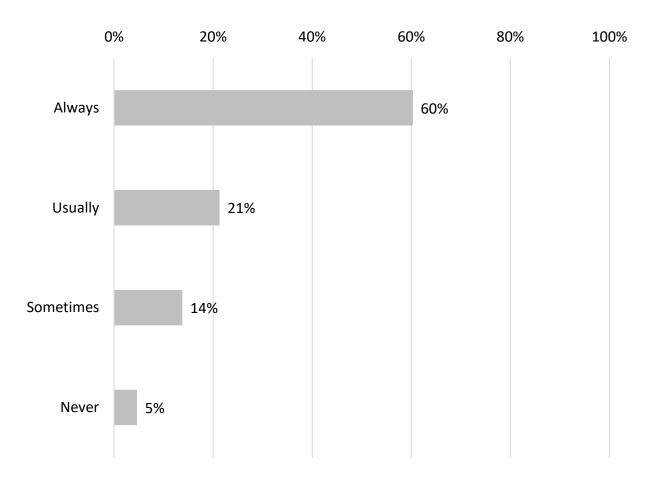


Figure 21. 2020 Rating for Involving Loved Ones in the Resident's Care Decisions During the COVID-19 Outbreak

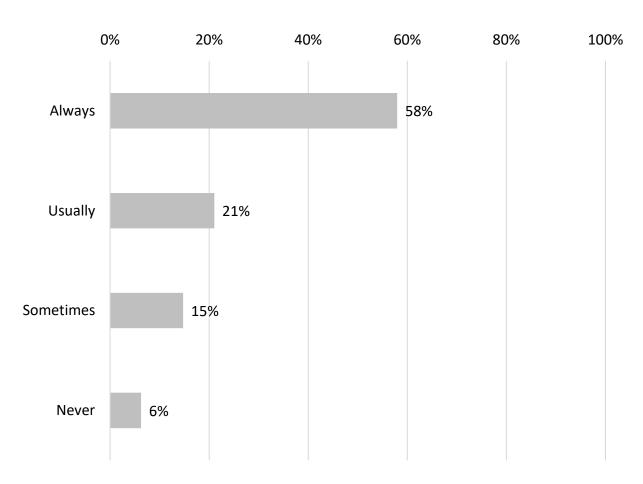
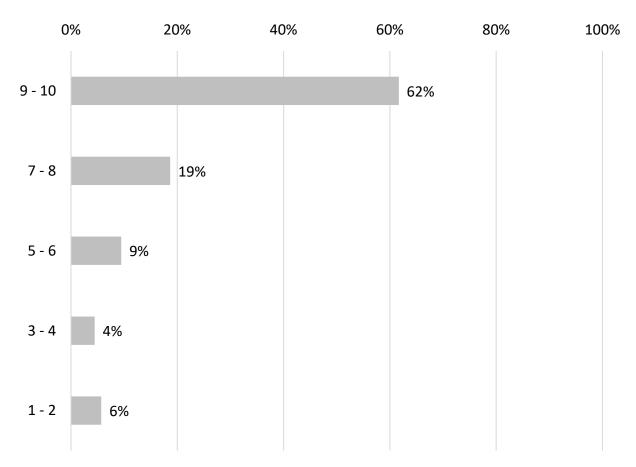


Figure 22. 2020 Rating for Overall Rating of the Nursing Home's Response to the COVID-19 Outbreak



Nursing home response to COVID-19 was rated on a scale of 1-10 where 1 is the worst response possible and 10 is the best response.

J. Feedback

New in 2020, respondents were able to provide open-ended feedback about their experiences with the nursing home. Responses have been coded into categories, and the percentages of each response category are provided below.

	%
Unable to Visit Inside Due to COVID, Hard to Answer Questions	25%
Resident Receives Great Care, Taken Care of During COVID (Even if Infected)	20%
Staff is Caring, Friendly, Compassionate	12%
Staff is Professional, Helpful, Responsive	12%
Nursing Home Informs Family of COVID Updates, Resident's Health/Status (Call, Zoom, FaceTime, Emails)	12%
Nursing Home Does Not Keep Family Informed, Poor Communication	10%
Staff Does Not Listen to Resident/Family, Ignores Needs and Requests	10%
Other	7%
Resident Receives Poor Care	6%
High Staff Turnover, Understaffed	6%
Overall Satisfied, Would Recommend	6%
Untrained, Uninformed Staff	5%
Poor Phone System, No One Answers Phone	5%
Resident is Unkempt, Dirty (No Haircuts, No Showers, Untrimmed Nails)	4%
Unhappy with COVID Visitation Policy	4%
Unhappy with Food, Lacking Healthy Options	4%
Personal Items Lost, Stolen, Damaged	4%
Poor Staff Attitude, Rude, Disrespectful	3%
Missing Clothes, Residents Share Clothing	3%
Residents Isolated During COVID, Affects Mental Health	3%
Resident is Satisfied with Staff, Nursing Home	3%
Not Enough Exercise, Movement, Physical Therapy	2%
Nursing Home is Dirty, Needs Repairs, Smells	2%

Percentages based on 2,829 respondents who provided an answer to the question. Percentages may not sum to 100 because multiple responses were accepted. Table is continued on the next page.

Feedback Continued

	%
Happy with COVID Visitation Policy (Window, Outdoors, Compassionate Care)	2%
Nursing Home Unprepared to Handle COVID, Poor Safety Protocols	2%
Nursing Home is Clean, Well-Kept	2%
Overall Dissatisfied, Would Not Recommend	2%
Nursing Home Ownership Changes, Management Changes	1%
Lack of Activities	1%
Don't know/Refuse	1%
Varied, Stimulating Activities	1%

Percentages based on 2,829 respondents who provided an answer to the question. Percentages may not sum to 100 because multiple responses were accepted.

K. Item-Level Ratings

This section provides a summary of each of the items that are used in calculating the seven domain scores. Questions were evaluated using either a 4-point scale or as Yes/No options. In addition, there were two questions that evaluated the overall experience and the level of care provided by the nursing home. Please note that:

- Item scores are calculated by providing the percent of respondents answering in a 'top box' score. The top box is the percentage of respondents rating an item in the two most positive response categories. For example, in questions rated Always to Never, the percentage of respondents assessing an item as Always or Usually if those are the most positive, or Sometimes and Never if those are the most positive responses.
- For Yes/No responses, only the percentage of respondents providing a positive response are displayed.
- For the overall rating of care question, the rate of individuals ranking the item as a 7 or higher out of 10 is displayed.

Low scoring items indicate a low level of satisfaction and a low level of positive experience and high scores indicate a high level of satisfaction and a high level of positive experience. For more details on the scoring metrics used, please refer to Section F.

Several items presented here are used as screening questions to determine the appropriateness of follow-up questions. These questions are presented here in the interest of completeness. They display the percentage at which respondents answered in such a way as to require any follow-up questions. These questions are presented in *italicized text*. They are not considered when calculating the domain score.

New questions added in 2018 are highlighted in **bold**.

Table A. 2020 Item Level Scores by Region

						Regi	on				
	State wide	West Mary		Montgo Cou	•	South Mary	_	Central Maryland		East Sho	_
		Score	Diff	Score	Diff	Score	Diff	Score	Diff	Score	Diff
Staff and Administration of the Nursing Home	•										
In the last 6 months, how often did you receive timely notification of changes such as the resident's condition, medications, or emergencies?	80%	88%	\	78%	-	77%	↑	79%	-	79%	-
In the last 6 months, if you asked for information about the resident, how often did you get the information within 48 hours?	79%	90%	\	78%	-	73%	↑	76%	↑	84%	\
In the last 6 months, how often did the nurses and nursing assistants treat <u>you</u> with courtesy and respect?	91%	95%	\	90%	-	88%	1	90%	-	91%	-
In the last 6 months, how often did the nurses and nursing assistants treat the <u>resident</u> with courtesy and respect?	86%	94%	\	84%	-	82%	↑	84%	-	88%	-
In the last 6 months, how often did staff members respect the resident's privacy?	89%	95%	4	88%	-	86%	↑	88%	-	89%	-
In the last 6 months, how often did you feel confident the staff was knowledgeable about the resident's medical condition(s) and treatment(s)?	79%	87%	1	79%	-	74%	↑	77%	↑	81%	-
In the last 6 months, how often were you able to find a nurse or aide when you wanted one?	71%	83%	4	71%	-	64%	↑	68%	1	78%	→
In the last 6 months, did the nurses or nursing assistants ever discourage you from asking questions about the resident?	94%	97%	+	94%	-	93%	1	93%	-	95%	1
Care Provided to Residents											
Were you invited to participate in a care conference in the last 6 months?	83%	89%	4	84%	-	78%	1	84%	-	76%	↑
In the last 6 months, how often were you involved as much as you wanted in care decisions?	79%	87%	1	80%	-	74%	↑	78%	-	77%	-
In the last 6 months, during any of your visits, did you help the resident with toileting?	6%	5%	1	7%	-	8%	-	7%	-	3%	1
In the last 6 months, how often, if at all, did you help with toileting because the nurses or nursing assistants either were not available or made the resident wait too long?	67%	82%	+	59%	-	70%	-	64%	-	65%	-

Table A. 2020 Item Level Scores by Region (continued)

						Regi	on				
	State wide	West Mary		Montgo Cou	-	South Mary	_	Cent Mary		East Sho	_
		Score	Diff	Score	Diff	Score	Diff	Score	Diff	Score	Diff
Care Provided to Residents (continued)											
In the last 6 months, did the resident look and smell clean?	81%	90%	4	78%	1	80%	-	79%	-	83%	-
In the last 6 months, did the resident use the nursing home's laundry service for his or her clothes?	86%	92%	4	83%	↑	81%	↑	85%	1	92%	4
In the last 6 months, how often were you satisfied with the laundry services the resident received?	76%	86%	→	78%	-	71%	↑	72%	1	75%	-
In the last 6 months, did you see any resident, including this resident, behave in a way that made it hard for nurses or nursing assistants to provide care?	11%	12%	-	11%	-	10%	-	11%	-	11%	-
How often did nurses/nursing aides handle the situation in a way that was acceptable to you?	81%	84%	-	80%	-	81%	-	80%	-	82%	-
In the last 6 months, did you discuss any issues or concerns with the nursing home staff about the care the resident received in the nursing home?	55%	48%	↑	56%	-	57%	ı	58%	→	47%	↑
In the last 6 months, were you satisfied with the way the nursing home staff handled issues or concerns that you brought to their attention?	63%	74%	\	64%	-	54%	↑	62%	1	70%	→
In the last 6 months, did you ever stop yourself from talking to any nursing home staff about your concerns because you thought they might take it out on the resident?	85%	90%	4	87%	-	80%	1	85%	-	87%	-
How often did you help with eating or drinking because the nurses or nursing assistants were not available to help or made him or her wait too long?	85%	89%	→	86%	-	80%	1	85%	-	86%	-
Food and Meals											
In the last 6 months, how often was the resident served a variety of food (e.g., fresh vegetables and fruits, lean meats, fish)?	79%	88%	4	80%	-	74%	1	77%	-	81%	-
In the last 6 months, how often was the food served to the resident high quality (i.e., attractive, appetizing, and nutritious)?	68%	79%	4	69%	-	61%	1	66%	-	71%	-

Table A. 2020 Item Level Scores by Region (continued)

						Regi	on				
	State wide		Western Maryland		Montgomery County		Southern Maryland		Central Maryland		ern re
		Score	Diff	Score	Diff	Score	Diff	Score	Diff	Score	Diff
Activities											
In the last 6 months, how often were meaningful activities offered most days of the week?	60%	71%	\	56%	↑	56%	↑	59%	-	62%	-
In the last 6 months, how often were physical activities (i.e., activities that encourage some movement) offered most days of the week?	55%	67%	→	50%	↑	51%	↑	53%	ı	57%	-
Autonomy and Resident Rights	_										
If the resident desires private space for visits such as with clergy or family, how often is private space available?	74%	80%	→	73%	-	74%	ı	70%	↑	78%	1
In the last 6 months, how often did you observe that the resident's or other residents' privacy was protected when the resident was dressing, showering, bathing, or in a public area?	83%	89%	→	82%	-	81%	,	83%	1	79%	-
In the last 6 months, how often were the resident's preferences about daily routine carried out (e.g. time and place for meals and time and type of bath)?	71%	80%	→	68%	-	65%	↑	70%	1	73%	-
Physical Aspects of the Nursing Home	_										
In the last six months, how often was the resident's room bright and cheerful?	73%	85%	→	71%	-	69%	↑	72%	-	73%	-
In the last 6 months, how often did the public areas of the nursing home look and smell clean?	85%	92%	\rightarrow	82%	1	83%	I	84%	1	86%	-
In the last 6 months, how often did the resident's room look and smell clean?	80%	89%	\	81%	-	77%	↑	79%	-	80%	-
In the last 6 months, how often was the noise level around the resident's room acceptable to you?	79%	86%	\	78%	-	77%	-	79%	-	79%	-

Table A. 2020 Item Level Scores by Region (continued)

						Regi	on				
	State wide			Montgomery County		Southern Maryland		Central Maryland		East Sho	
		Score	Diff	Score	Diff	Score	Diff	Score	Diff	Score	Diff
Security and Resident's Personal Rights											
In the last 6 months, how often was there enough security for the facility (e.g., alarms, security guard, locked doors)?	91%	96%	→	89%	-	85%	↑	92%	ı	93%	-
In the last 6 months, how often did the nursing home take sufficient steps to protect the resident's personal items?	70%	84%	\	70%	-	64%	1	66%	↑	74%	\
In the last 6 months, how often did the nursing home take sufficient steps to protect the resident's personal safety?	87%	92%	\	87%	-	84%	1	87%	-	86%	-
Satisfaction with Overall Experience											
Using any number from 1 to 10, where 10 is the best care possible and 1 is the worst care possible, what number would you use to rate the care at this nursing home?	78%	88%	→	77%	-	72%	1	76%	↑	81%	→
If someone needed nursing home care, would you recommend this nursing home to them?	80%	89%	→	81%	-	76%	1	78%	↑	83%	\

Table B. 2020 Item Level Scores by Facility Owner

			Owners	hip Type	
	Statewide	Non-	profit	For-p	orofit
		Score	Diff	Score	Diff
Staff and Administration of the Nursing Home		_		_	
In the last 6 months, how often did you receive timely notification of changes such as the resident's condition, medications, or emergencies?	80%	87%	1	77%	↑
In the last 6 months, if you asked for information about the resident, how often did you get the information within 48 hours?	79%	88%	4	76%	↑
In the last 6 months, how often did the nurses and nursing assistants treat <u>you</u> with courtesy and respect?	91%	94%	V	89%	↑
In the last 6 months, how often did the nurses and nursing assistants treat the <u>resident</u> with courtesy and respect?	86%	91%	\	84%	↑
In the last 6 months, how often did staff members respect the resident's privacy?	89%	94%	\	87%	↑
In the last 6 months, how often did you feel confident the staff was knowledgeable about the resident's medical condition(s) and treatment(s)?	79%	85%	4	76%	↑
In the last 6 months, how often were you able to find a nurse or aide when you wanted one?	71%	80%	4	68%	↑
In the last 6 months, did the nurses or nursing assistants ever discourage you from asking questions about the resident?	94%	95%	-	94%	-
Care Provided to Residents		_		_	
Were you invited to participate in a care conference in the last 6 months?	83%	89%	1	81%	↑
In the last 6 months, how often were you involved as much as you wanted in care decisions?	79%	87%	4	76%	↑
In the last 6 months, during any of your visits, did you help the resident with toileting?	6%	5%	1	7%	1
In the last 6 months, how often, if at all, did you help with toileting because the nurses or nursing assistants either were not available or made the resident wait too long?	67%	71%	-	66%	-

Table B. 2020 Item Level Scores by Facility Owner (continued)

			Owners	hip Type	
	Statewide	Non-	profit	For-p	orofit
		Score	Diff	Score	Diff
Care Provided to Residents (continued)					
In the last 6 months, did the resident look and smell clean?	81%	90%	1	78%	↑
In the last 6 months, did the resident use the nursing home's laundry service for his or her clothes?	86%	92%	\	84%	↑
In the last 6 months, how often were you satisfied with the laundry services the resident received?	76%	85%	\	71%	↑
In the last 6 months, did you see any resident, including this resident, behave in a way that made it hard for nurses or nursing assistants to provide care?	11%	14%	1	10%	-
How often did nurses/nursing aides handle the situation in a way that was acceptable to you?	81%	89%	\	77%	-
In the last 6 months, did you discuss any issues or concerns with the nursing home staff about the care the resident received in the nursing home?	55%	52%	1	56%	-
In the last 6 months, were you satisfied with the way the nursing home staff handled issues or concerns that you brought to their attention?	63%	75%	4	60%	↑
In the last 6 months, did you ever stop yourself from talking to any nursing home staff about your concerns because you thought they might take it out on the resident?	85%	90%	+	84%	1
How often did you help with eating or drinking because the nurses or nursing assistants were not available to help or made him or her wait too long?	85%	90%	\	84%	-
Food and Meals					
In the last 6 months, how often was the resident served a variety of food (e.g., fresh vegetables and fruits, lean meats, fish)?	79%	87%	1	76%	↑
In the last 6 months, how often was the food served to the resident high quality (i.e., attractive, appetizing, and nutritious)?	68%	78%	4	65%	1

Table B. 2020 Item Level Scores by Facility Owner (continued)

			Owners	hip Type	
	Statewide	Non-	profit	For-p	profit
		Score	Diff	Score	Diff
Activities					
In the last 6 months, how often were meaningful activities offered most days of the week?	60%	66%	\	58%	1
In the last 6 months, how often were physical activities (i.e., activities that encourage some movement) offered most days of the week?	55%	61%	4	53%	-
Autonomy and Resident Rights					
If the resident desires private space for visits such as with clergy or family, how often is private space available?	74%	85%	4	69%	↑
In the last 6 months, how often did you observe that the resident's or other residents' privacy was protected when the resident was dressing, showering, bathing, or in a public area?	83%	91%	+	80%	↑
In the last 6 months, how often were the resident's preferences about daily routine carried out (e.g. time and place for meals and time and type of bath)?	71%	80%	+	67%	1
Physical Aspects of the Nursing Home		_			
In the last six months, how often was the resident's room bright and cheerful?	73%	85%	\	69%	↑
In the last 6 months, how often did the public areas of the nursing home look and smell clean?	85%	95%	\	82%	1
In the last 6 months, how often did the resident's room look and smell clean?	80%	90%	\	77%	1
In the last 6 months, how often was the noise level around the resident's room acceptable to you?	79%	87%	4	76%	↑

Table B. 2020 Item Level Scores by Facility Owner (continued)

		Ownership Type						
	Statewide	Non-	profit	For-p	orofit			
		Score	Diff	Diff Score				
Security and Resident's Personal Rights								
In the last 6 months, how often was there enough security for the facility (e.g., alarms, security guard, locked doors)?	91%	96%	→	89%	↑			
In the last 6 months, how often did the nursing home take sufficient steps to protect the resident's personal items?	70%	82%	\	66%	↑			
In the last 6 months, how often did the nursing home take sufficient steps to protect the resident's personal safety?	87%	93%	+	85%	↑			
Satisfaction with Overall Experience								
Using any number from 1 to 10, where 10 is the best care possible and 1 is the worst care possible, what number would you use to rate the care at this nursing home?	78%	88%	+	74%	↑			
If someone needed nursing home care, would you recommend this nursing home to them?	80%	91%	\	77%	↑			

Table C. 2020 Item Level Scores by Number of Beds

				L	icensed	Bed Size	1		
	Statewide	80 or 1		81 –		121 -		161+	beds
		Score	ds Diff	Score	ds Diff	Score	ds Diff	Score	Diff
Staff and Administration of the Nursing Home		30016	וווט	JCOIE	Dill	30016	Dill	Score	Dill
In the last 6 months, how often did you receive timely notification of changes such as the resident's condition, medications, or emergencies?	80%	83%	4	81%	-	77%	↑	82%	-
In the last 6 months, if you asked for information about the resident, how often did you get the information within 48 hours?	79%	84%	\	81%	\	75%	↑	80%	-
In the last 6 months, how often did the nurses and nursing assistants treat <u>you</u> with courtesy and respect?	91%	94%	→	93%	→	89%	↑	90%	-
In the last 6 months, how often did the nurses and nursing assistants treat the <u>resident</u> with courtesy and respect?	86%	90%	1	87%	-	84%	-	85%	-
In the last 6 months, how often did staff members respect the resident's privacy?	89%	92%	4	90%	-	86%	1	89%	-
In the last 6 months, how often did you feel confident the staff was knowledgeable about the resident's medical condition(s) and treatment(s)?	79%	82%	\	80%	-	75%	↑	80%	-
In the last 6 months, how often were you able to find a nurse or aide when you wanted one?	71%	77%	4	74%	\	67%	↑	71%	1
In the last 6 months, did the nurses or nursing assistants ever discourage you from asking questions about the resident?	94%	95%	-	95%	-	94%	-	93%	-
Care Provided to Residents									
Were you invited to participate in a care conference in the last 6 months?	83%	87%	4	86%	4	80%	↑	83%	-
In the last 6 months, how often were you involved as much as you wanted in care decisions?	79%	84%	4	81%	-	76%	↑	79%	-
In the last 6 months, during any of your visits, did you help the resident with toileting?	6%	5%	-	5%	1	7%	-	7%	ı
In the last 6 months, how often, if at all, did you help with toileting because the nurses or nursing assistants either were not available or made the resident wait too long?	67%	67%	-	69%	-	68%	-	64%	-

Table C. 2020 Item Level Scores by Number of Beds (continued)

		Licensed Bed Size							
	Statewide	80 or 1		81 –		121 -		161+	beds
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		Score	Diff	Score	Diff	Score	Diff	Score	Diff
Care Provided to Residents (continued)		1		T		T	I	ı	
In the last 6 months, did the resident look and smell clean?	81%	92%	\	82%	-	78%	1	81%	-
In the last 6 months, did the resident use the nursing home's laundry service for his or her clothes?	86%	89%	\	88%	\	84%	↑	86%	-
In the last 6 months, how often were you satisfied with the laundry services the resident received?	76%	85%	→	77%	-	71%	1	77%	-
In the last 6 months, did you see any resident, including this resident, behave in a way that made it hard for nurses or nursing assistants to provide care?	11%	14%	→	11%	-	11%	-	11%	-
How often did nurses/nursing aides handle the situation in a way that was acceptable to you?	81%	83%	-	83%	-	79%	-	81%	-
In the last 6 months, did you discuss any issues or concerns with the nursing home staff about the care the resident received in the nursing home?	55%	54%	-	52%	1	56%	-	56%	-
In the last 6 months, were you satisfied with the way the nursing home staff handled issues or concerns that you brought to their attention?	63%	69%	→	67%	→	59%	1	64%	-
In the last 6 months, did you ever stop yourself from talking to any nursing home staff about your concerns because you thought they might take it out on the resident?	85%	87%	1	87%	→	83%	↑	86%	ı
How often did you help with eating or drinking because the nurses or nursing assistants were not available to help or made him or her wait too long?	85%	86%	ı	88%	ı	85%	ı	84%	ı
Food and Meals									
In the last 6 months, how often was the resident served a variety of food (e.g., fresh vegetables and fruits, lean meats, fish)?	79%	84%	→	81%	ı	75%	↑	82%	→
In the last 6 months, how often was the food served to the resident high quality (i.e., attractive, appetizing, and nutritious)?	68%	76%	→	73%	→	62%	↑	69%	ı
Activities									
In the last 6 months, how often were meaningful activities offered most days of the week?	60%	67%	\	61%	-	59%	-	59%	-
In the last 6 months, how often were physical activities (i.e., activities that encourage some movement) offered most days of the week?	55%	59%	→	59%	→	52%	↑	53%	-

Italicized questions are not used in the domain score calculations.

Questions in **bold** are new additions to the 2018 survey.

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Table C. 2020 Item Level Scores by Number of Beds (continued)

	Licensed Bed Size								
	Statewide	80 or fewer beds		81 – 120 beds		121 – 160 beds		161+ beds	
		Score	Diff	Score	Diff	Score	Diff	Score	Diff
Autonomy and Resident Rights									
If the resident desires private space for visits such as with clergy or family, how often is private space available?	74%	78%	4	77%	-	68%	↑	77%	ı
In the last 6 months, how often did you observe that the resident's or other residents' privacy was protected when the resident was dressing, showering, bathing, or in a public area?	83%	89%	\	86%	-	78%	↑	84%	ı
In the last 6 months, how often were the resident's preferences about daily routine carried out (e.g. time and place for meals and time and type of bath)?	71%	78%	→	74%	-	68%	↑	70%	-
Physical Aspects of the Nursing Home									
In the last six months, how often was the resident's room bright and cheerful?	73%	79%	\	75%	-	69%	←	75%	1
In the last 6 months, how often did the public areas of the nursing home look and smell clean?	85%	91%	\	86%	-	81%	←	89%	\rightarrow
In the last 6 months, how often did the resident's room look and smell clean?	80%	86%	\	81%	-	77%	←	82%	ı
In the last 6 months, how often was the noise level around the resident's room acceptable to you?	79%	86%	4	80%	-	78%	-	78%	-

Table C. 2020 Item Level Scores by Number of Beds (continued)

	Licensed Bed Size								
	Statewide	80 or fewer beds		81 – 120 beds		121 – 160 beds		161+	beds
		Score	Diff	Score	Diff	Score	Diff	Score	Diff
Security and Resident's Personal Rights									
In the last 6 months, how often was there enough security for the facility (e.g., alarms, security guard, locked doors)?	91%	94%	→	92%	ı	90%	-	91%	-
In the last 6 months, how often did the nursing home take sufficient steps to protect the resident's personal items?	70%	80%	1	71%	-	67%	1	69%	-
In the last 6 months, how often did the nursing home take sufficient steps to protect the resident's personal safety?	87%	92%	\	89%	→	85%	↑	87%	-
Satisfaction with Overall Experience									
Using any number from 1 to 10, where 10 is the best care possible and 1 is the worst care possible, what number would you use to rate the care at this nursing home?	78%	86%	+	80%	-	74%	1	78%	-
If someone needed nursing home care, would you recommend this nursing home to them?	80%	87%	4	82%	-	76%	1	81%	-

Table D. 2020 Item Level Scores by Payment Source

		Payment Source						
	Statewide	Med	licaid	Ot	her			
		Score	Diff	Score	Diff			
Staff and Administration of the Nursing Home								
In the last 6 months, how often did you receive timely notification of changes such as the resident's condition, medications, or emergencies?	80%	81%	-	77%	↑			
In the last 6 months, if you asked for information about the resident, how often did you get the information within 48 hours?	79%	79%	-	78%	-			
In the last 6 months, how often did the nurses and nursing assistants treat <u>you</u> with courtesy and respect?	91%	91%	-	88%	↑			
In the last 6 months, how often did the nurses and nursing assistants treat the <u>resident</u> with courtesy and respect?	86%	87%	-	83%	1			
In the last 6 months, how often did staff members respect the resident's privacy?	89%	89%	-	88%	-			
In the last 6 months, how often did you feel confident the staff was knowledgeable about the resident's medical condition(s) and treatment(s)?	79%	80%	-	75%	↑			
In the last 6 months, how often were you able to find a nurse or aide when you wanted one?	71%	72%	-	67%	↑			
In the last 6 months, did the nurses or nursing assistants ever discourage you from asking questions about the resident?	94%	94%	-	92%	↑			
Care Provided to Residents		•						
Were you invited to participate in a care conference in the last 6 months?	83%	83%	-	84%	-			
In the last 6 months, how often were you involved as much as you wanted in care decisions?	79%	80%	-	77%	↑			
In the last 6 months, during any of your visits, did you help the resident with toileting?	6%	6%	-	7%	-			
In the last 6 months, how often, if at all, did you help with toileting because the nurses or nursing assistants either were not available or made the resident wait too long?	67%	66%	-	69%	-			

Table D. 2020 Item Level Scores by Payment Source (continued)

		Payment Source							
	Statewide	Med	licaid	Ot	her				
		Score	Diff	Score	Diff				
Care Provided to Residents (continued)									
In the last 6 months, did the resident look and smell clean?	81%	81%	-	81%	-				
In the last 6 months, did the resident use the nursing home's laundry service for his or her clothes?	86%	87%	-	84%	↑				
In the last 6 months, how often were you satisfied with the laundry services the resident received?	76%	75%	-	78%	-				
In the last 6 months, did you see any resident, including this resident, behave in a way that made it hard for nurses or nursing assistants to provide care?	11%	11%	-	14%	\				
How often did nurses/nursing aides handle the situation in a way that was acceptable to you?	81%	80%	-	83%	-				
In the last 6 months, did you discuss any issues or concerns with the nursing home staff about the care the resident received in the nursing home?	55%	54%	-	58%	\				
In the last 6 months, were you satisfied with the way the nursing home staff handled issues or concerns that you brought to their attention?	63%	64%	-	62%	-				
In the last 6 months, did you ever stop yourself from talking to any nursing home staff about your concerns because you thought they might take it out on the resident?	85%	86%	-	82%	↑				
How often did you help with eating or drinking because the nurses or nursing assistants were not available to help or made him or her wait too long?	85%	86%	-	80%	1				
Food and Meals									
In the last 6 months, how often was the resident served a variety of food (e.g., fresh vegetables and fruits, lean meats, fish)?	79%	79%	-	80%	-				
In the last 6 months, how often was the food served to the resident high quality (i.e., attractive, appetizing, and nutritious)?	68%	68%	-	68%	-				

Table D. 2020 Item Level Scores by Payment Source (continued)

		t Source			
	Statewide	Med	icaid	Ot	her
		Score	Diff	Score	Diff
Activities					
In the last 6 months, how often were meaningful activities offered most days of the week?	60%	61%	-	57%	-
In the last 6 months, how often were physical activities (i.e., activities that encourage some movement) offered most days of the week?	55%	55%	-	55%	-
Autonomy and Resident Rights					
If the resident desires private space for visits such as with clergy or family, how often is private space available?	74%	73%	-	75%	-
In the last 6 months, how often did you observe that the resident's or other residents' privacy was protected when the resident was dressing, showering, bathing, or in a public area?	83%	83%	-	82%	-
In the last 6 months, how often were the resident's preferences about daily routine carried out (e.g. time and place for meals and time and type of bath)?	71%	71%	-	69%	-
Physical Aspects of the Nursing Home					
In the last six months, how often was the resident's room bright and cheerful?	73%	73%	-	74%	-
In the last 6 months, how often did the public areas of the nursing home look and smell clean?	85%	85%	-	88%	-
In the last 6 months, how often did the resident's room look and smell clean?	80%	80%	-	80%	-
In the last 6 months, how often was the noise level around the resident's room acceptable to you?	79%	80%	-	76%	-

Table D. 2020 Item Level Scores by Payment Source (continued)

		Payment Source							
	Statewide	Med	licaid	Ot	her				
		Score	Diff	Score	Diff				
Security and Resident's Personal Rights									
In the last 6 months, how often was there enough security for the facility (e.g., alarms, security guard, locked doors)?	91%	90%	-	94%	\				
In the last 6 months, how often did the nursing home take sufficient steps to protect the resident's personal items?	70%	70%	-	70%	-				
In the last 6 months, how often did the nursing home take sufficient steps to protect the resident's personal safety?	87%	88%	-	86%	-				
Satisfaction with Overall Experience									
Using any number from 1 to 10, where 10 is the best care possible and 1 is the worst care possible, what number would you use to rate the care at this nursing home?	78%	78%	-	77%	-				
If someone needed nursing home care, would you recommend this nursing home to them?	80%	80%	-	80%	-				